

Nuevo Mundo Records 1957-2009

Creator: Nuevo Mundo (1979-)

Extent: 2.5 linear feet (4 boxes)

Language: Spanish, English

Repository: Women and Leadership Archives, Loyola University Chicago

Administration Information

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Administrative History

Centro Educativo de Nuevo Mundo in Guayaquil, Ecuador, was founded in 1979 as an experiment in Catholic social justice. It is a school in which funds from a morning program and families with adequate financial resources are used to subsidize a school for the very poor in the afternoon. The morning school is a Catholic bilingual grade and high school (K-12). Its 700 morning students came from the middle and upper classes. The afternoon school brought in 400 students from the poorest sections of Guayaquil. For them, Fundacion de Nuevo Mundo provided the same high-quality grade school (K-6), as well as a technical high-school curriculum which enabled students to expand their practical knowledge. Often, Morning school children and their parents volunteer in the afternoon school. Parents of afternoon school students provided in-kind services or were employed by Nuevo Mundo and occasionally by the parents of morning school children.

Founders of Nuevo Mundo were Pat McTeague and Sonya Rendon. They met in Quito, Ecuador where Pat, then a BVM, was teaching. Subsequently Ecuadorian Rendon came to the United States and Mundelein College in Chicago to study. The blueprint for this experimental project was presented by Sonya Rendon as partial fulfillment for her master's degree in religious studies. Nuevo

Mundo celebrated its first high school commencement in 1991 when eighty-one young men and women graduated.

Scope and Content

These records span from 1957-2009 and cover the founding of Nuevo Mundo, the academic and professional records of Pat McTeague and Sonya Rendon, the administration and operation of Nuevo Mundo, audio and video cassettes of interviews with the founders and personnel of the school, and photographs of Nuevo Mundo activities. Several of the documents are in Spanish.

Series 1: Founders and Administration, 1957-2003, undated Box 1

Contains materials directly related to the founders of the program including professional histories, curriculum vitas, legal documents, physical plans, photographs, and several descriptions of the program. Includes some legal documents, including the deed of land.

Series 2: Curriculum and Graduation, 2004, undated Box 2

This series contains administrative as well as practical materials on the classes and type of education offered at Nuevo Mundo including a class curriculum, graduation program, a deed of property, and a family handbook.

Series 3: Special Projects relating to Nuevo Mundo, 1990-2009, undated Boxes 2-3

This series contains various documents in Spanish including, among other things reports about the school, parental involvement, and curriculum as well as a parental handbook, the organizations constitution and by-laws, and invitation fliers for Nuevo Mundo's 30th anniversary celebration. The series also contains a Doctor of Education dissertation about Nuevo Mundo.

Series 4: Audiovisual and 3-D objects, 1985-2004, undated 1991, 2003, undated Box 4

With the exception of the tape made by Joan Daly, all audiovisual interviews were conducted by Mary Alma Sullivan, BVM, and Ann Harrington, BVM. Audiovisual materials include DVDs, audiocassettes, VHS tapes, and acetate slides. Two medals awarded to Patricia McTeague are also included.

Subjects:

Catholic schools
Education

Box	Folder	Title	Dates
		<i>Nuevo Mundo Records 1957-2009</i>	
		Series 1: Founders – McTeague and Rendon, 1957-2003, undated	
1	1	Photos of Patricia McTeague and Sonya Rendon	1984, 1999
1	2	Sonya Rendon – Academic and Professional Records	1973-2000

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1	3	Patricia McTeague – Academic and Professional Records	1957-2003
1	4	Articles describing Nuevo Mundo	1991
1	5	“El Nacimiento de un Nuevo Mundo”	undated
1	6	Nuevo Mundo – Physical Plan	undated
1	7	Fundacion Nuevo Mundo – Una Institution sin fines de lucro	undated
1	8	Estatutos de Voluntariado de Fundacion Nuevo Mundo	undated
1	9	Fundacion Nuevo Mundo – Legal Documents – Authorizations	undated
1	10	Nuevo Mundo – Financial Records	undated
1	11	“The Birth of Nuevo Mundo in Guayaquil, Ecuador” – Master’s Degree Thesis by Sonya Rendon	undated
1	12	English Translation of “The Birth of Nuevo Mundo in Guayaquil, Ecuador”	undated
		Series 2: Curriculum & Graduation, 2004, undated	
2	1	Conveni de Cesion de Derechos – Agreement of concession of rights over property. Deed of property left to Nuevo Mundo by Fr. John Drury	2004
2	2	Nuevo Mundo – Curriculum	undated
2	3	Nuevo Mundo – Graduation Ceremony	undated
		Series 3: Special Projects relating to Nuevo Mundo, 1990-2009, undated	
2	4	Proyecto Educativo “Escuela para Padres y Madres” – Prof. Carmen Cornejo Robelly	undated
2	5	Ludotecas Afectivas para Todo/as – por Monica Aragundi	undated
2	6	“Diagnostico Preliminar” – Virginia Ortiz Rohde	undated
2	7	Comite de Padres de Familia – handbook	2001-2002
3	1	Roasrio de Christo – Program – Constitution and By-Laws, drafted by Fr. John Drury	2000
3	2	Proyecto Educativo Institucional	2003
3	3	Proyecto Curricular – Anexo 1	undated
3	4	Proyecto de Gestion – Anexo 2	undated
3	5	Acuerdos Miniteriales – Anexo 3	undated
3	6	Detalle de Recursos – Anexo 4	undated
3	7	Anexo 5	undated
3	8	30 th Anniversary Celebration Fliers	2008
3	9	“The Development of Social and Civic Responsibility: A Case Study of Centro Educativo Nuevo Mundo”– Dissertation by Christopher Steel	2009

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3	10	Estudio de Compensaciones, Beneficios e Indicadores Claves”	2007
		Series 4: Audiovisual and 3-D objects, 1985-2004, undated	
3	11	Nuevo Mundo Photo Booklet	1991
3	12	Photos: Honorary Degree Activities	2003
3	13	Photos: List of pictures on CD	undated
4	1	Interviews McTeague, Rendon [VHS]	2004
4	2	Five Pioneers of Nuevo Mundo [VHS]	2004
4	3	Master Tape: Nuevo Mundo people – Joan Daly Buildings and students [VHS]	1985-1986
4	4	McTeague and Rendon: Personnel of Nuevo Mundo [VHS]	2004
4	5	McTeague and Rendon: 1 of 2 [audiocassette]	1999
4	6	McTeague and Rendon: 2 of 2 [audiocassette]	1999
4	7	Interview: McTeague and Rendon [audiocassette]	2004
4	8	Interviews [audiocassette]	2004
4	9	Interview: McTeague and Rendon, complete [DVD]	2004
4	10	Interview: McTeague and Rendon, Part 1 [DVD]	2004
4	11	Interview: McTeague and Rendon, Part 2 [DVD]	2004
4	12	Photos taken by Mary Sullivan [1 of 2] [CD] (list in Box 3)	undated
4	13	Photos taken by Mary Sullivan [2 of 2] [CD] (list in Box 3)	undated
4	14	Medal from Camara de la Pequena Industria del Guayas to Patricia McTeague	undated
4	15	Medal for “Distinguished Alumna” from Immaculata High School Alumna Association to Patricia McTeague	undated
4	16	Nuevo Mundo Slides [67 slides]	1983-1987, undated